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**From:** Knauss, Chuck [CKnauss@hunton.com]  
**Sent:** 6/13/2018 4:40:24 PM  
**To:** Wehrum, Bill [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=33d96ae800cf43a3911d94a7130b6c41-Wehrum, Wil]  
**Subject:** Invitation for tonight -- yes I know it's late...  
**Attachments:** 2018 Bruce F Vento Public Service Award Invitation.s-c-c-c-c.pdf

Bill:

Please come tonight **and share with others** that might be interested. ! I hope you're available to swing by the Newseum this evening as the **National Park Trust** honors **Senator Martin Heinrich** (June 13th at 6:30 PM). As you know, I'm on the NPT board and our mission is very important to me — protecting high priority lands for the National Park Service and creating future park stewards, with a special emphasis on children from under-served communities. Each year we host the **Bruce F. Vento Public Service Award** event to honor an outstanding elected official and conservationist and celebrate NPT's accomplishments.

The invitation is below and attached. The short program will give you a chance to hear about the important and effective projects we have underway and the highlight of the evening is hearing directly from some over the under-served children in our programs. The event includes a reception **with the 30-minute formal program starting at 7:00 PM.**

Best regards, Chuck

**2018 Bruce F. Vento  
Public Service Award Reception**

*honoring*  
**Senator Martin Heinrich  
New Mexico**



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**2018 Bruce F. Vento  
Public Service Award Reception**

A special reception benefiting  
National Park Trust

Honoring  
**Senator Martin Heinrich**  
New Mexico

Wednesday, June 13, 2018  
6:30 – 8:30 pm

Newseum  
555 Pennsylvania Avenue Northwest  
Freedom Forum, 6th Street Entrance  
Washington, D.C.

Please RSVP by June 8, 2018  
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## **Bruce F. Vento**

### **Public Service Award Recipients**

- 2018: Senator Martin Heinrich, New Mexico  
2017: Senator Lamar Alexander, Tennessee  
2016: Congresswoman Betty McCollum, Minnesota  
2015: Senator Rob Portman, Ohio  
2014: Senator Ron Wyden, Oregon  
2013: Congressman Mike Simpson, Idaho  
2012: Senator Jeff Bingaman, New Mexico  
2011: Senator Susan Collins, Maine  
2010: Senator Mark Udall, Colorado  
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2008: Senator Harry Reid, Nevada  
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2005: Senator Bob Graham, Florida  
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2003: Congresswoman Connie Morella, Maryland  
2002: Congressman John E. Seiberling, Ohio  
2001: Lt. Governor Lowell Thomas, Jr., Alaska



**Senator Martin Heinrich**

Representing New Mexico since 2013, Senator Heinrich serves on the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources and the Subcommittee on National Parks. He also serves on the Senate Committee on Armed Services, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, and the U.S. Congress Joint Economic Committee.

Senator Heinrich's numerous accomplishments to protect our public lands include his work to help create the Columbine-Hondo Wilderness area, expand public access to the Valles Caldera National Preserve, and establish the Manhattan Project National Historical Park. He also championed the creation of the Rio Grande del Norte National Monument and Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument.

His dedicated bipartisan efforts also help to connect families and kids to the great outdoors as demonstrated by his work as co-chair of the Senate Outdoor Recreation Caucus, sponsor of the Every Kid Outdoors Act and co-sponsor of the annual Kids to Parks Day Senate Resolution.

#### **NATIONAL PARK TRUST**

NPT's mission is preserving parks today; creating park stewards for tomorrow. In the 35 years since NPT was established, the non-profit organization has completed more than 60 land acquisition, restoration, and mitigation projects in 30 states, 1 U.S. Territory and Washington, D.C. including 48 National Park Service projects. In 2008, NPT launched its nationally recognized Buddy Bison Programs which currently support more than 200 Title I schools across the country. Since 2011, NPT has organized Kids to Parks Day, an annual national celebration of America's parks hosted on the third Saturday in May. For more details about NPT, visit [www.parktrust.org](http://www.parktrust.org).

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